



# TOLL BRIDGE PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

CALTRANS | BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY | CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

July 5, 2013, 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**Attendees:** TBPOC Members: Steve Heminger (Chair), Malcolm Dougherty, and Andre Boutros  
PMT Members: Tony Anziano, Andrew Fremier, and Stephen Maller  
Participants: Andrew Gordon, Gareth Lacey, Beatriz Lacson, Rick Land, Peter Lee, Randy Rentschler, and Will Shuck

Convened: 10:05 AM

Items		Action
1.	<b>BOLT REPORT EDITING PROCESS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Chair enumerated the following items to cover at this teleconference:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bolt report editing process;</li><li>Review of the TBPOC presentation to the State Legislature and BATA Oversight Committee (OC) on July 8 and July 10, respectively; and</li><li>Punchlist.</li></ol></li><li>The Chair indicated that edits from J. Fisher, which were complementary to the report, were received. His suggested emphasis on the number of dehumidified locations was incorporated in Slide No. 2.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The report will be printed later today.</li><li>Copies will be handed out after the legislative briefing on Monday, July 8.</li><li>The report will be online (BATA, Caltrans, and project websites) at 11:00 AM, Monday, July 8.</li></ul></li></ul>	
2.	<b>REVIEW OF TBPOC PRESENTATION TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND BATA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Chair suggested going over and discussing the presentation page by page.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>He confirmed the following speaking</li></ul></li></ul>	

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<p>sequence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S. Heminger: Slide Nos. 1 – 14 (background)</li> <li>- A. Boutros: Slide Nos. 15 – 18 (retrofit schedule)</li> <li>- M. Dougherty: Slide Nos. 19 – 27 (what to do with the other bolts)</li> <li>- S. Heminger: Slide No. 28 (wrap-up).</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion items included: rod material contracting vs. procurement method; general ASTM specifications; record retention vs. record maintenance; understanding the contractor's schedule, questions on fabrication; Plan B; rod failure differentiation; logic of hardness and load; provisional nature of rod by rod resolution table, test schedule.</li> <li>○ It was noted that Slide No. 18 states seismic safety opening (SSO) not happening on Labor Day and is not mentioned elsewhere again.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>4. PUNCHLIST</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>BATA OC Meeting</u>: The Chair indicated that once the TBPOC presentation to the BATA OC is completed, the Seismic Safety Peer Review Panel (SSPRP) will be invited to say their piece, followed by comments from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the question and answer (Q&amp;A) period.</li> <li>• <u>Media</u>: The Chair read a four-paragraph press statement for discussion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The statement expands on what A. Boutros will say regarding the four-day closure.</li> <li>○ M. Dougherty suggested posting the press statement on the websites simultaneously with the bolt report.</li> <li>○ The TBPOC will refer media questions on Monday to the Public Information Officers (PIOs); they will not be</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R. Rentschler and W. Shuck to finalize the press statement for posting on the websites on Monday, July 8.</li> <li>• Staff to prepare the Chair's script for walking out the State Senate meeting room on Monday, July 8.</li> </ul>

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<p>available for media questions until after the Wednesday, July 10, BATA OC meeting when the SSPRP and FHWA will also be present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The PIO will handle press inquiries between Monday, July 8 and Wednesday, July 10.</li><li>○ Discussion items included: logistics of going in and out of the State Senate meeting room; safety of new and existing bridge; Governor's position; consistency of TBPOC thinking regarding the report and backup documents, clarification of TBPOC mindset (need another teleconference).</li><li>• <u>FHWA</u>: R. Land stated that he has not relayed the latest information to FHWA.</li><li>○ M. Dougherty indicated that he will reach out to California Division Administrator V. Mammano before the BATA OC meeting on Wednesday and identify as well who will represent FHWA at the meeting. Presentation of FHWA's position is expected at the Wednesday, July 10 meeting.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ FHWA concurs with our rod disposition.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Summary</u>: A. Fremier noted the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The Chair will update ABF, TY Lin, and the San Francisco Mayor's Office on Monday, July 8.</li><li>○ The SSPRP will get the bolt report final edits for their review over the weekend.</li><li>○ The FHWA will get the bolt report on Monday, July 8.</li><li>○ No copies of the presentation will be given at the July 8 legislative briefing; 50 copies will be available for the public at the July 10 BATA OC meeting.</li><li>○ The presentation will be posted on the BATA, Caltrans, and project</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Department to have its technical staff available on Tuesday, July 9, to round out the information put out at the Monday, July 8, legislative briefing.</li><li>• Staff to schedule a conference call on Sunday, July 7, at 5:00 PM.</li></ul>

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websites on Monday, July 8, 11 AM.	

Adjourned: 11:17 AM

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